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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby request the filing of a continuation application in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)(1) of the below-identified prior application.

The prior application is identified as follows:

1. Serial number: 09/444,082
2. Filing Date: November 22, 1999
3. Title as originally filed: Absorbent Articles With Non-Irritating Refastenable Seams
4. Applicants as originally filed: Christopher P. Olson and Lisa Ann Dimitrijevs
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The prior application is currently pending before Examiner Jacqueline F. Stephens in Group 3761. The entirety of the prior application is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.

Enclosed is a copy, as originally filed, of the above-identified prior application which includes thirty (30) pages of specification, the specification including a one (1) page Abstract, thirty-one (31) claims, and eight (8) sheets of drawings.

This application is filed by the same inventors named in the prior application.

Also enclosed is a copy of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney showing the signatures of the inventors in the prior application. If applicable, a copy of any amendments referred to in the oath or declaration is also enclosed.

Please amend the specification of this application by inserting, at the beginning thereof, the following:

-- This application is a continuation of application serial number 09/444,082 entitled Absorbent Articles With Non-Irritating Refastenable Seams and filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 22, 1999. The entirety of application serial number 09/444,082 is hereby incorporated by reference. --

Additionally, please cancel claims 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 12, 13, 16, 20, 22 and 23 of this application.

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